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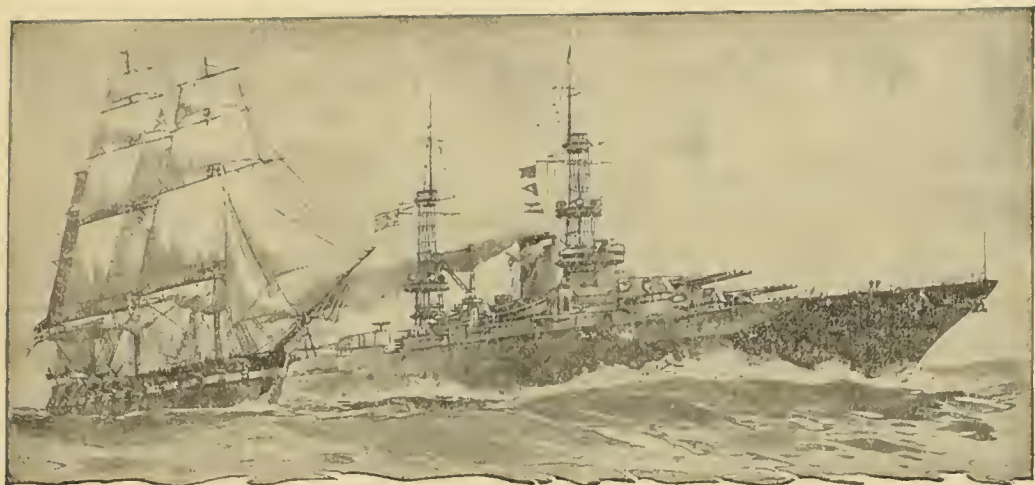
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The work of the committee selected in Commencement week to draw up a plan for alumni re-organization has reached the point of agreeing upon a tentative constitution for the new body. Late in October copies were being sent to members of the general committee for approval, having been drawn by a sub-committee under the chairmanship of Cleveland R. Cross, '03, of Cleveland. It will go before the college trustees for their approval at the regular meeting in November.

The constitution is printed in the Alumni Magazine because the editors believe it should be studied and criticized by alumni and friends of Oberlin as well as by the trustees. The movement for re-organization was initiated by the alumni themselves; it is for them finally to indorse or reject the plan presented.

It has been a difficult and complicated task to which the sub-committee has devoted itself during the summer and fall. Mr. Cross and his associates have done their work well and deserve the thanks of their fellow alumni. In all probability the plan outlined by the constitution presented elsewhere in this issue will be finally accepted, with whatever modifications may seem desirable, and become the basic law of the new alumni association.

The editors of the Alumni Magazine believe that the plan of re-organization here offered and the constitution framed to carry the plan into execution will meet the approval of the alumni generally. Individuals will differ with minor details here and there, perhaps, but in the main it appears that the frame-work is well laid and efficiently designed to carry into effect the purposes that lie back of the undertaking.

As one Oberlin man has expressed it, the college administration has ample means to interpret itself to the alumni, but the alumni lack the machinery to interpret itself to the administration. Here may well lie one of the accomplishments of the re-organized association; it should afford Oberlin men and women everywhere the means of making their sentiments and aspirations register at the seat of the college. This cannot mean that the association is to be a mere organ of criticism; nor can it mean that the association is to be in effect merely a branch of faculty or board of trustees. Either purpose would condemn the project at the outset.

The purpose of the alumni association, as we see it, is to coöperate with the college in every constructive aim, to criticize when criticism seems justified, to initiate policies, to participate in discussions involving the welfare of the institution, to give the alumni a voice and a hearing in the counsels of the college. No alumnus or former student, we are confident, will challenge the soundness of such a proposal.

## Note and Comment

The complete attendance figures as of October 1, which are presented elsewhere in the Alumni Magazine, reflect a condition which will fill every alumnus and friend of Oberlin with confidence. It is shown that the number of men in the college is now larger than ever before. There is, moreover, a spirit of aggressiveness both among students and faculty which promises well for this year and for the years to come. With President King's return, problems held in abeyance for months past are being threshed out with the assurance of an early determination in each case. There is promise in all directions—not least in the direction of the alumni now working out a substantial basis of re-organization and coöperation with the college. A new era is beginning for Oberlin.

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Changes in the dancing and anti-tobacco rules recommended to the faculty by committees named last year were under discussion at successive faculty meetings in October. As this is written no final action has been taken in either instance. A decision is to be expected very soon. The general expectation is that the faculty will approve the recommendations which are that the rule against the use of tobacco be virtually abolished and that mixed dancing be permitted under college regulations.

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The magazine is devoting many pages this month to a discussion of two subjects which the editors believe are of very great interest to every alumnus—alumni reorganization and college salaries. While the committee authorized at the last Commencement to proceed with a plan of reorganizing the alumni has been intent upon its work, a separate group of younger alumni, with its activities centering in Cleveland, has got under way another movement designed

to stir Oberlin men and women to the desirability of taking a more active interest in the affairs of the college. In this issue of the magazine is presented the proposed constitution drawn by the committee, which gets its authority from the action taken in Oberlin in June, and a statement of the aims of the other group. There seems to be no possible reason why the two groups cannot work in complete harmony. Their essential purposes are identical.

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That something must be done to help Oberlin salaries catch step with the cost of living should be an article of alumni faith. Wherever groups of alumni discuss the affairs of their alma mater, the talk drifts inevitably to this topic. It is a matter for satisfaction that the situation has been taken in hand by the college authorities and that definite recommendations have been framed for early action by the trustees. It is an interesting presentation offered elsewhere in this issue of the magazine. The facts there portrayed concern in a most vital manner the welfare of the institution. Half a dozen American colleges or universities now have campaigns under way for raising money among alumni and friends for meeting the salary crisis. Whether such a campaign is contemplated on behalf of Oberlin is not stated. If such a step be deemed advisable, the alumni will be found ready to do their share.

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From the alumni standpoint the November meeting of the college trustees promises to be of unusual interest. The constitution for the reorganized alumni is to be submitted for approval. The salary question concerns everyone who believes in the continued high mission of Oberlin.

## Alumni Constitution is Submitted

### Reorganization Committee Reports Result of Summer's Work

The sub-committee of alumni, working in pursuance of the plan for re-organization provisionally indorsed at Oberlin last June, has completed its draft of the proposed constitution. Copies were being sent to members of the general committee and to the college trustees late in October. The constitution and plans of re-organization are to go before the trustees for approval at their meeting in November.

The members of the sub-committee are: Cleaveland R. Cross, '03, chairman, Joel B. Hayden, '09, Mrs. Katharine Burt Carter, '14, all of Cleveland; Mrs. Helen W. Martin, '85, of Oberlin, and Grove H. Patterson, '05, of Toledo.

At the meeting of the committee in September, the chairman was instructed to revise the constitution so as to provide for its incorporation under the laws of Ohio as a non-stock, non-profit corporation, and the same has been done. However, the chairman is convinced that incorporation under Ohio laws requires a machine too complicated for proper functioning. This conclusion, however, was not reached until the constitution on the corporate plan was finished. The lack of time before the November meeting of the trustees made a revision impossible. However, there will be presented to the trustees the alternate plan of a non-incorporated association. This plan would involve substantially only the following changes, to-wit:

The limitation of the board of trustees required by the Ohio laws for such a corporation and leaving the alumni council and its executive committee as both the administrative and legislative bodies of the Association, the latter performing the duties only of electing the council and endorsing or disapproving by resolution its acts in case of controversies.

All officers would be elected by the alumni council and these officers would also serve as the officers of the general association. This plan is patterned more

after the Williams college plan with its very compact alumni council. The constitution presented here follows the Smith college plan.

The only real argument in favor of a corporate plan, as Chairman Cross sees it, is that relating to the security and administration of alumni funds. However, the sub-committee has expressed itself as of the opinion that practically all alumni funds should be turned over to the college subject only to terms and conditions imposed, and not retained by the alumni association, subject to the payment of income only. If any fund should be created the retention of which by the association might be desirable, it could still be made secure by the appointment of trustees for such fund.

The committee calls attention to the three principal features of the constitution:

1. The taking over of the Alumni Magazine. This seems to have the approval of all of those at present controlling the Alumni Magazine.

2. The taking over of the Endowment Union. It is contemplated, of course, that this will be done in a manner protecting the present use of the funds already pledged.

3. The nomination and election of alumni trustees by the alumni association. This of course can only be effected by amendment to the by-laws of the college. The committee believes that this can be arranged in a manner that will be more conservative than the present plan, since under the present by-laws of the college the process of nominating and electing trustees is such that a very small number of votes is sufficient to nominate.

The proposed constitution does not include the by-laws of the alumni council, preparation of which has been deferred until it is determined whether the corporate or non-corporate plan is to be followed.

Neither does it stipulate the method

or process of electing class councilors or the representatives of the various departments of the college. The working out of these and some other minor details has been deferred until determination of the general plan to be followed.

## PROPOSED CONSTITUTION.

### ARTICLE I.

#### Name.

The name of the corporation shall be "The Alumni Association of Oberlin College."

### ARTICLE II.

#### Purpose.

The purpose of this corporation shall be to promote the interests of Oberlin College.

### ARTICLE III.

#### Location.

The principal administrative office of the corporation shall be at Oberlin, Ohio.

### ARTICLE IV.

#### Seal.

The corporate seal of this corporation shall be a circular in form and shall contain the name of the corporation surrounding the word "Seal."

### ARTICLE V.

#### Membership.

##### Section 1. Classes:

There shall be two classes of membership: Active and associate.

##### Section 2. Active Members:

All persons who have been graduated from the academic department of Oberlin College, the Oberlin School of Theology, or the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, and those upon whom the College has conferred honorary degrees, are by virtue of such status active members of this Association.

##### Section 3. Associate Members.

Any person who has been a student in any department of the college, is eligible to associate membership in the Association after his or her entering class has graduated, and provided he or she be not then an undergraduate.

##### Section 4. Powers of Members.

Only active members of the Association may vote or hold office, provided, however, that associate members having voting power with local associations as

hereinafter provided are eligible to serve as members of the Alumni Council and to vote in such Council as such member.

### ARTICLE VI.

#### Dues.

##### Section 1.

The annual dues for active and associate members shall be One (\$1.00) Dollar.

##### Section 2.

Active and associate members may become life members on payment of Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars or on payment of Thirty (\$30.00) Dollars in six consecutive annual payment of Five (\$5.00) Dollars each.

### ARTICLE VII.

#### Board of Trustees.

##### Section 1. Management.

The general administrative management of this Association shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, consisting of the President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer of the Association and nine other Trustees, to be elected annually by the Association.

##### Section 2. Term of Office.

The nine members of the Board of Trustees not members as officers of the Association, shall be divided into three classes. There shall be three Trustees in each class, and the term of office of all of the members of one class shall terminate each year. At the first annual election of the Association there shall be three Trustees elected to serve for three years, three Trustees elected to serve for two years, and three Trustees elected to serve for one year, and thereafter at each annual election three Trustees shall be elected to serve for three years.

##### Section 3. Vacancies.

The Board of Trustees shall have power to fill all vacancies occurring in its membership.

##### Section 4. Nomination of Trustees.

The Trustees shall be nominated by a committee of three members of the Association. The members of said committee shall be nominated by the Alumni Council and elected by the Association annually to serve for a term of three years. At the annual meeting of the

Association in 1921, one member shall be elected for a term of three years, one for a term of two years and one for a term of one year. At the annual meeting of the Association in 1920, after the adoption of this constitution, the members of the Nomination Committee shall be nominated and elected by the Alumni Association to serve until the next annual meeting.

#### Section 5. Officers.

The officers of the Board of Trustees shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer and such officers shall be those elected to serve as corresponding officers of the Association, and shall be members of the Board of Trustees. The Executive Secretary shall be a member of the Board of Trustees, *ex-officio*.

#### Section 6. Executive Committee

There shall be an Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, consisting of the President, the Executive Secretary and two other members elected by the Board.

#### Section 7. Executive Secretary.

The Board of Trustees shall appoint an Executive Secretary whose entire time shall be devoted to the duties of the office. The appointment of the Executive Secretary by the Board of Trustees shall be subject to the approval of the Alumni Council. The Executive Secretary shall be paid a salary to be fixed by the Board of Trustees. The Executive Secretary shall carry out the purposes of the Association and shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Trustees or the Executive Committee.

### ARTICLE VIII.

#### Section 1.

The officers of the Association shall be: President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer. Such officers shall be elected by the Association for a term of three years and shall be first elected at the annual meeting of the Association at which this constitution is adopted. Such officers shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the Association.

#### Section 2. President and Vice-Presidents.

The duties of the President and Vice-Presidents shall be those commonly appertaining to those of such officers.

#### Section 3. Recording Secretary.

The Recording Secretary shall act as such officer for the Association, the Board of Trustees and the Alumni Council.

#### Section 4. Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall collect the funds of the Association and disburse them as approved by the Board of Trustees.

### ARTICLE IX.

#### Alumni Council.

#### Section 1. Constitution.

There shall be an Alumni Council composed of the following members:

- (a) The Board of Trustees.
- (b) The Editor-in-Chief of the Alumni Monthly.

(c) One Councilor to represent each graduating class of the academic department of the college. The class councilor shall be elected upon graduation and at the third, fifth and tenth reunions and at every fifth year reunion thereafter to serve until the next succeeding reunion. Class councilors shall be elected by written ballot mailed to each member of the class whose address is known, at least before April 1st of the year when such councilor is to be elected. Class councilors shall be elected in the following manner: (not yet determined) and coincident with the election of class councilors each class shall elect a class secretary who shall be the general executive officer of the class and also the alternate councilor entitled to a seat at meetings at the councils and a vote therein in the absence of the class councilor.

(d) One Councilor to represent each registered local alumni association having a branch of at least fifty members, and one additional councilor from each local association certifying to a membership of one hundred or more members, duly elected therefrom.

(e) Five councilors to be elected by the Alumni of the School of Theology.

(f) Five councilors to be elected by the Alumni of the Conservatory of Music.

(g) Ten councilors to be elected by

whatever Alumnae Association may hereafter be organized.

(h) Ten councilors at large elected by the Alumni Association at its annual meeting and nominated by its Nominating Committee.

#### Section 2. Meetings.

The Alumni Council shall meet at least once annually.

#### Section 3. Standing Committees.

The Alumni Council shall appoint standing committees in its discretion.

#### Section 4. Powers.

The Alumni Council shall be the general legislative body of the Alumni Association and shall pass upon and approve and may initiate from time to time alumni enterprises in behalf of the interests of the College. It may by resolution make recommendations or suggestions to the Board of Trustees or the Faculty of the College in behalf of the Association.

#### Section 5. Officers.

The officers of the Association shall be the officers of the Alumni Council.

### ARTICLE X.

#### Local Associations.

##### Section 1.

Any Oberlin College Alumni Association, with a purpose similar to that of this Association and having a membership of fifty or more, may register with the Executive Secretary of this Association as a branch of the Association upon voting to become such and to abide by the provisions of this Article.

##### Section 2. Election of Councilors.

Branches of the Association shall elect their councilors after the first day of January and before the first day of June in any year and such councilors shall assume office at the meeting of the Council during commencement week. Such councilors shall be elected for a term of two years. The branches shall notify the Executive Secretary of the results of the election within two weeks thereafter.

##### Section 3.

Any such branch shall permit any person residing within its geographical limits, eligible to associate membership in this Association, to become active

members in such branch association with full voting powers therein and qualified to serve as councilor of the branch.

##### Section 4.

The local Association shall make such by-laws for their governance as are not inconsistent with this constitution nor with the corporation laws of the State of Ohio.

### ARTICLE XI.

#### Meetings of the Association.

##### Section 1. Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting of the Association for the election of officers, trustees, councilors at large and for the transaction of business shall be held during the week of commencement of Oberlin College. The precise time and place of said meeting shall be fixed by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees not less than eight weeks in advance and a written notice thereof published in the Oberlin Alumni Magazine published for the month of May.

##### Section 2. Quorum.

Twenty-five members in person shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of regular business at all meetings of the Association, but a smaller number may adjourn meeting to future day and hour for lack of a quorum.

### ARTICLE XII.

#### Alumni Trustees.

##### Section 1. Conduct of Election.

The Association shall assume responsibility for the conduct of all elections of alumni representatives upon the Board of Trustees of Oberlin College subject to proper action to that end by the Board of Trustees of Oberlin College and in a manner consistent with the By-Laws of Oberlin College.

##### Section 2. Method of Election.

The election shall be conducted by the Executive Secretary of the Association in such manner as shall be stipulated in the By-Laws of Oberlin College. Upon amendment of said By-Laws providing for the election of alumni representatives upon the College Board of Trustees, such By-Laws relating to the election of such Trustees shall become a part of this constitution.

ARTICLE XIII.  
Alumni Magazine.

Section 1.

The Association shall take over the business and editorial management of the Oberlin Alumni Magazine upon legal action to that end by the directors and stockholders of the Company controlling such business and management. The terms and conditions of payment for the business of said magazine shall be determined by the Board of Trustees of the Association. In case said Board of Trustees fail to act, the Alumni Council may by resolution duly adopted, require the Board of Trustees to secure the assets of business of said corporation upon such terms and conditions as may be satisfactory to such corporation.

Section 2.

The Editor-in-Chief of the Alumni Magazine shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Association.

Section 3.

The Alumni Magazine shall be the official bulletin and publication of the Association.

ARTICLE XIV.

Alumni Funds.

Section 1.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees shall be also the Finance Committee of the Association, and shall, with the assistance of the Board of Trustees, promote all enterprises relating to the securing of alumni funds for the benefit of Oberlin College. The use and purpose of such funds shall be determined by the Board of Trustees subject to the endorsement of the Alumni Council. Funds shall not be raised for any purpose not approved by the Board of Trustees of Oberlin College except by the approval designated by a written

ballot taken under the direction of the Executive Secretary of the Association, whereby at least two-thirds of the members of the Alumni Council signify their approval of such purpose.

Section 2. Living Endowment Fund.

The Association shall take over the Oberlin College Living Endowment Union upon action to that end by the proper authorities. Said fund, together with all additions and accumulations but not including the operating funds of the Association, secured or raised for any specific purpose, shall be known as the General Alumni Fund of Oberlin College. Gifts for the benefit of Oberlin College shall be made out of either the principal or income of said Alumni Fund when and as directed by the Board of Trustees of the Association. Provided, however, that the present use of the funds turned over to the Association by the Oberlin College Living Endowment Union shall not be changed by the Association except with the approval of the President and the Prudential Committee of the College.

Section 3. Treasurer.

The Treasurer of the College shall be the Treasurer of all alumni funds other than the operating or administrative fund.

ARTICLE XV.

Amendments.

This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a majority of the members of the Association, provided, however, that notice of any amendment shall be given by the President of the Association by publication in some newspaper of general circulation in Lorain County, Ohio, at least thirty days prior to said annual meeting and by similar publication in the Oberlin Alumni Magazine.

## “What Do You Think?”

By Carlton K. Matson, '15

Large numbers of Oberlin men and women are dissatisfied with their college to an unnatural degree. Some are so far from it in their feeling that they say quite frankly, “Yes, we are from Oberlin. We admit it when we are accused, but we do not brag about it.” Many others have concluded for themselves that their dissatisfactions with the college have no chance of ever finding expression in adequate action.

These statements relate to facts which are within the knowledge of hundreds of Oberlin men and women. It is unfortunate that such are the facts and it is very much more unfortunate that they point to the certain result that many Oberlin alumni are going to lose the sort of vital constructive interest they should have in the college.

A frank discussion of some dissatisfactions with the college and possible remedies seems to have possibilities of being of service to both the college and the alumni. With this in mind a pamphlet, “What Do You Think?” setting forth considerations of present Oberlin college policies has been written and sent out and should now be in the hands of the alumni. It was offered to the Alumni Magazine for joint publication, was received by the editor of that magazine in a spirit of fairness and was rejected on the reasonable ground that there was too much type for the magazine to carry. The present contribution was written at the suggestion of the editor that the pamphlet be “boiled” into space to fit the magazine. The substance of the pamphlet is written in what follows:

The question of the organization of the new alumni association lies near

EDITOR'S NOTE:—In the present article Mr. Matson represents a committee of alumni in Cleveland, of which Rees H. Davis, '14, is chairman and other members are Leyton E. Carter, '14, and Clare E. Vrooman, '15. The committee has been in correspondence with alumni of other cities touching the issues here discussed.

at hand since last Commencement. Anyone who does not believe that this new organization should be deliberately directed to be in a position to come into conflict with the governing bodies of the college at any time, seems to us have missed the possibilities of the reorganization. This alumni organization should be an active, vigorous voice that will counter as well as back projects of the college trustees and administration.

The trustees are the governing body partly from the alumni; the alumni association should be a much more free-lance body of the alumni. It should be able to voice the opinions of its members so that the trustees will hear. It should be so democratically expressive of the general opinion of its members that no one in connection with the college could ever again be as uninformed on the true strength and depth of alumni dissatisfaction as I know of some faculty members and alumni being today.

Faculty salaries should engage the attention of everyone. Making them adequate is basic. If this question is handled merely as a matter of “concession” intended “to hold” faculty members until some kinder fate can lay its hands on the high cost of living, it will not be dealt with adequately.

Faculty salaries should be considered not as makeshift matters, but in the light of enduring simplicity. Broadly speaking good men want good salaries. Speaking just as broadly but also certainly, good men will go where they can get good salaries.

Able men must stay in Oberlin and new ones must come. College policies cannot be broadly shaped by narrow men. For the enduring good of Oberlin, both old men and new, must be given the means to buy books, travel and the leisure for making use of both.

These statements seem absurdly platitudinous. Yet if they are so commonplace why are no adequate measures being taken to meet the menace of low salaries? It has been confided to many

in the alumni by able faculty members that they cannot "stand the gaff" much longer. Isn't this known generally?

Some say the Hall bequest is tied up so no relief can be found there. "Some say" is used advisedly for it is to be regretted that the alumni have not been taken into the confidence of the trustees regarding what can be done under the bequest. If no strenuous measures can release money from this great fund vigorous "direct action" in a campaign among the alumni would seem to be imperative.

The last word from Oberlin received as this was being written informs us that the faculty has sat once again in august and impressive deliberation over the question of repealing the smoking and dancing rules without reaching a decision. Still the grand old battle of serious words is being fought over the "problems" which in the outside world are not engaging the attention of even a single recognized religious or social sect.

The supreme presumption of Oberlin college in still making a moral issue of something which moral leaders elsewhere have forgotten, is the only impressive thing about this eternal quibbling over relics of the past. Meanwhile the alumni, such of it as is compelled to mingle under normal conditions with people outside Oberlin, is forced to tolerate this joke at its expense. The college all the time is receiving the poor advertising from this controversy which would be humorous if it were not so tragically wasteful of valuable time which might be used in solving problems really moral and really vital.

The athletic policy is not a question about which one can make generalities and call them obvious. The alumni to a large degree understand the fine idealism that has endeavored to de-professionalize athletics and place the emphasis upon every college man being active and fit. The alumni do mostly pray for a reasonable modification of this policy so that a little of it may be approximated and at the same time the teams that go out may be something of "winners."

In the first place the alumni are human and they like winners. In the sec-

ond place they believe that winning teams give the college a fine bit of clean advertising that it can hardly afford to neglect.

The question of filling the college deanship interests every alumnus. We are informed that it is vacant. The filling of it concerns us all. Not only is the college dean a determiner of educational procedure in the college, but he is, we believe, an interpreter in an increasing degree of the college to its alumni and of the alumni to its college. For becoming such an interpreter a man of democratic mind, who can sense and interpret, is prayed for all.

In conclusion the suggestion is perhaps not amiss that everyone who is interested in what has been written here should endeavor in his own city to gather together men who think as he does, organize a committee, formulate its views and put them in the form of a pointed resolution to be submitted to the college trustees. Until the new college alumni association does get properly on its feet the trustees and the college administration should be grateful for the expression of a great deal of honest critical opinion.

#### PROFESSOR HUTCHINS RETURNS.

Prof. William J. Hutchins arrived in Oberlin October 10 after a ten months' world tour with Sherwood Eddy, secretary for Asia of the international committee of the Y. M. C. A. Short stops were made in China and Japan, while six months were spent in India, two months being given to work among English soldiers in the cantonments and four to native students and churches. One month was devoted to work in Burma. Mr. Hutchins and Mr. Eddy entered Jerusalem over the new British military road, and leaving there came upon President King's route north of the city. They stopped in Aleppo, where four thousand Armenian refugees are housed in the old Turkish barracks. Five days were spent in Constantinople. From there the party came to Paris, via Italy. Mr. Hutchins returned to America on a freighter, which required fifteen days in crossing.

## Increased Salaries Urged for Faculty

Advances of Fifty per cent. asked of College Trustees

The trustees of the college at the November meeting will have laid before them for immediate action recommendations pertaining to college salaries drawn up by a faculty committee, of which Professor Charles G. Rogers was chairman, and approved by the faculty.

The report shows that the committee made a very thorough study as to the needs of increased salaries. Its investigations led the committee into a consideration of the increased cost of living and involved an analysis of the family budgets of many members of the Oberlin faculty.

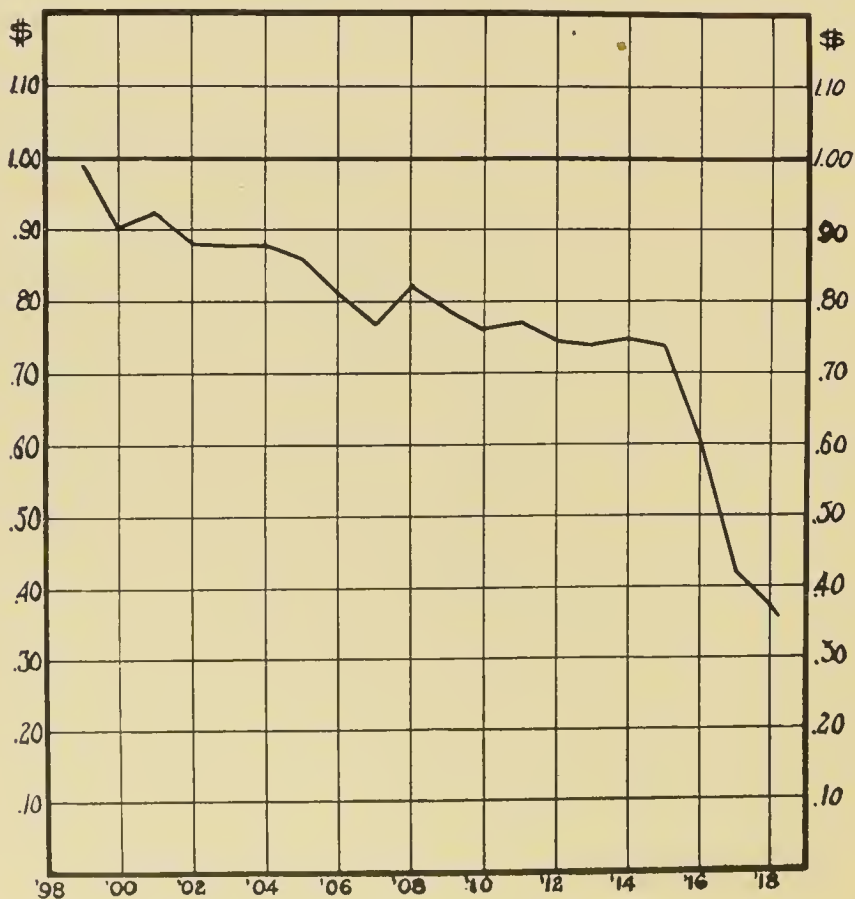
### I. The Increased Cost of Living.

Taking the figures furnished by the

Bureau of Labor Statistics the committee finds a most remarkable decline in the purchasing power of the dollar since the year 1900. If we take the average value of the dollar in purchasing power during the ten years 1890-1899 as a base and calculate the value of the dollar in cents, so far as the wholesale purchase of commodities is concerned, we find the facts indicated in chart 1. The charts are printed in numerical order.

The general direction of the curve has continued during the summer and fall, so that we may now say that as compared with the base value our present dollar is worth less than 33 1-3 cents.

Chart 2 shows the price relations of



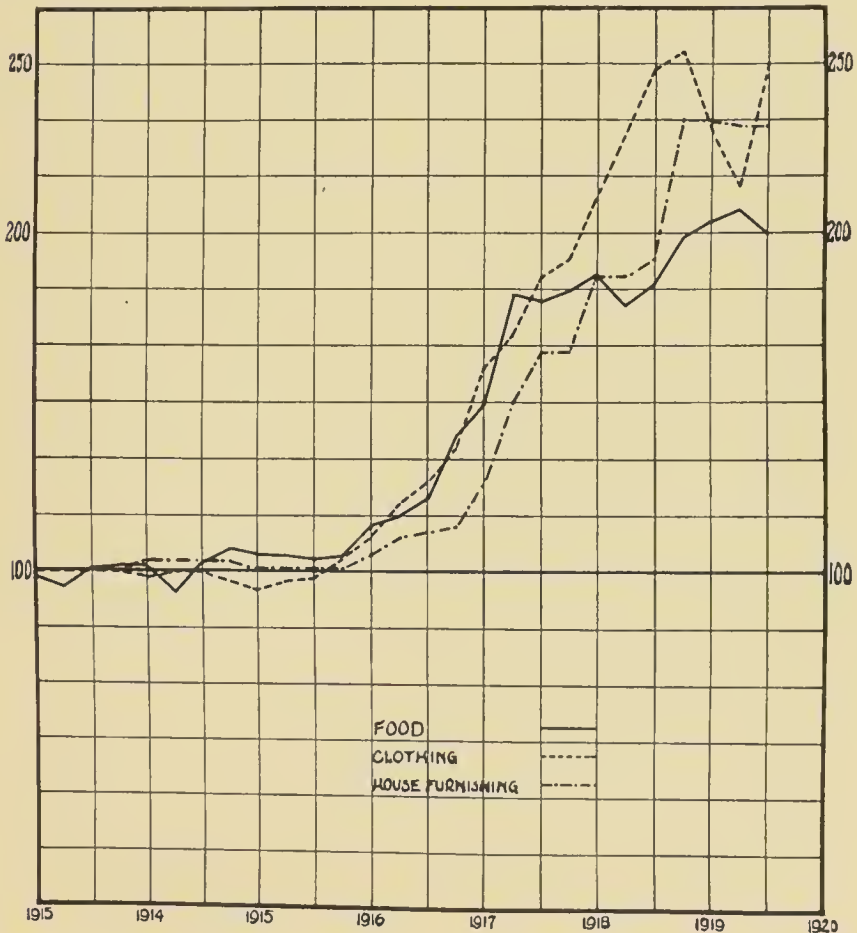
three important commodities calculated from the index figures given by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, referred back to the same period 1890-1899 for the base value. These commodities are food, clothing and house furnishings. Using 100 as the base value in each case we find that in the summer of 1919 the wholesale costs of foods had reached 200, of clothing 250 and of house furnishings 230. This is just another way of showing how the value of the dollar has declined during the past four years.

## II. How has the decline of the dollar affected the salaried man?

While others have been receiving greater incomes from investments or in

the form of daily or weekly wages the salaried man's income has remained unchanged.

In Chart 3 we have a picture of the conditions under which salaried men are placed so far as the purchasing power of their incomes is concerned. These curves are simply adaptations of the curve of Chart 1 to the salaries indicated. It will be noted that at no time since the beginning of 1900 has the salary had its par value as determined by the base—the average value for the years 1890-1899. The form of the curves is essentially the same as that of Chart 1 and shows present values as compared with the base, of \$1000 for the \$3000 salary, \$666 for the \$2000 salary and \$500 for the \$1500 salary.

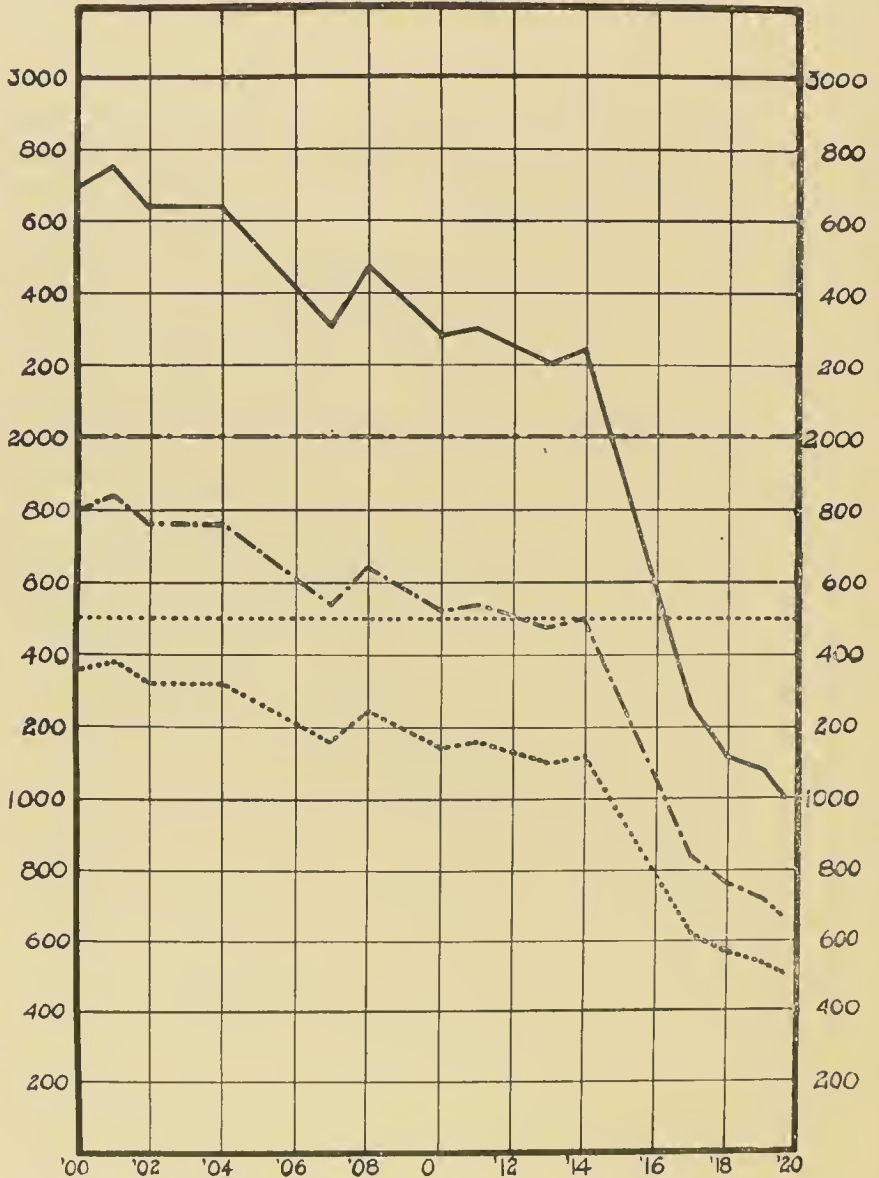


### III. The Obligation of the College in Relation to Society.

The teaching profession has long been looked upon as honorable and as most highly important. Teachers are now individually face to face with the question "Is my work less important to society than it was a generation ago?"

The committee believes the college

should do something more than merely make up what has been lost by the decline in the value of the dollar. If the teaching profession is to hold its position of respect it must be able to attract men of ability—and this cannot be done until the teacher receives an income in some way commensurate with the importance of the place he occupies in society.



#### IV. The present attitude of the colleges concerning salaries.

One can hardly glance over a current daily paper without finding some notice of salary increases or plans for such increases at some college or university. Of the 638 institutions upon the mailing list of the Bureau of Education, Department of the Interior, more than 300 have already granted increases of salaries to professors, assistant professors and instructors. A large number of institutions which granted increases last year have already planned for increases for the present college year.

Oberlin has already this fall had reason to know something of the difficulties to be experienced by the college which can offer only small salaries to candidates for teaching positions.

#### V. What is the investment of the college teacher?

The man who enters upon teaching as a profession practically takes a vow never to expect to accumulate much money. Should this be so?

The teacher has invested from seven to ten years of time and thousands of dollars in money to equip himself for professional work. As the result he has collected a mass of well ordered and available information, subjected himself to a training which makes it possible for him to transmit the results of his labors to others and acquired through his mastery of the subject, and through contact with far thinking men a spirit of enthusiasm for his subject and his work as a teacher without which he would be simply an animated book of facts.

#### VI. What return can the teacher justly claim for himself as compensation for his work?

In general one may say that the teacher does not expect or demand a return such as he might receive in business or in some other profession. He does feel that he has a right to a family and home, a comfortable existence, an opportunity to rest as well as to grow and to have an assurance of a secure old age.

#### VII. Oberlin's Obligation.

It is the task of Oberlin to provide instruction and training to selected young men and women. It is the duty of the college to provide just as good instruction and just as inspiring and stimulating teachers for this work as are to be found in any institution of equal grade.

#### VIII. Oberlin Salaries during the past 28 years.

In 1892 the maximum salary of a full professor was \$1800, raised to \$2000 in 1906, to \$2200 in 1911 and to \$3000 in 1917.

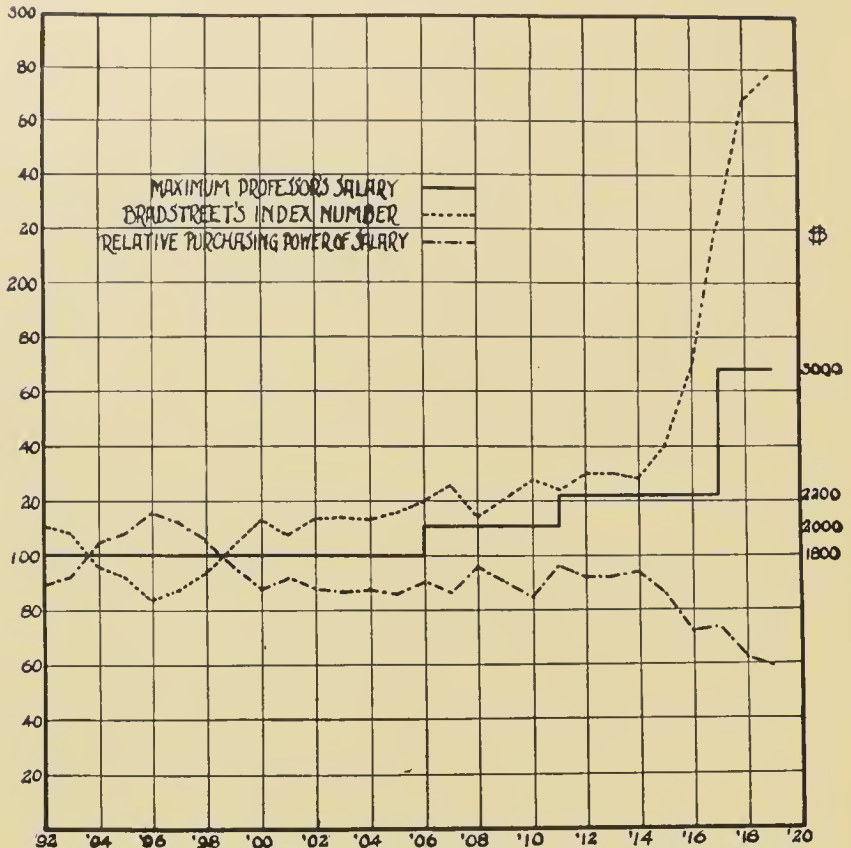
The committee shows the relation of these maximum salary figures to the actual purchasing value of the salary during this period. Bradstreet's index numbers cover the entire period and are used as the basis of Chart 4.

This chart shows the changes in the wholesale prices of commodities reduced to the same base as used before. The increase in prices is shown by the dotted line. The salary line is the solid black line. It will be noted that this line has made but a feeble attempt to follow the upward tendency of prices. Except for the four years 1894-1898 the salary has not at any time reached the normal purchasing value of \$1800. Further it will be seen that an increase of even 50 per cent in the full professor's salary would not bring its purchasing power up to the \$1800 of our standard.

#### IX. Family Budgets.

The committee has collected family budgets from several representative families. The results are so astonishing that the committee deems it necessary to state that, in practically every case reported, the professor or some other member of his family has been compelled to do extra work to eke out the income received from the college and to cancel otherwise inevitable debt.

The committee is convinced that Oberlin faculty families can not be accused of being extravagant, either in tastes or habits. As a matter of fact there is evidence that the Oberlin fac-



ulty has rapidly been acquiring the habit and mental attitude of poverty.

Only four families reported have paid an income tax, and in no case did it call for more than 1.5 per cent of the salary received. Income received from outside work on the part of the teacher or some other member of the family was usually responsible for the amount of the tax paid.

The sums given as spent for clothing during the year, the committee says, are little short of ludicrous. As a matter of fact only the most imperative needs were supplied.

Not a single family of the group submitting budgets was able to show a cash balance at the end of the year.

The committee finds most important of all the attitude of mind into which some members of the faculty appear to be settling,—an attitude of discouragement—almost despair over the fact

that there is never any relief from the stress and worry incident to the struggle to make ends meet.

In conclusion the committee finds ample grounds for a reconsideration of the salary scale. It realizes that no lowering of the standard of the personnel or work of the institution can be tolerated. If the college is not in position to replace any man at any time with one equally good or better its condition is far from healthy. This the college cannot at present do.

It is, therefore, recommended:

1. That the Faculty urge upon the Trustees and Administrative officers immediate consideration of the need for increasing the funds of the institution so that salaries at least comparable with those of other institutions of high grade may be paid, and so that promo-

tions in rank may be made more rapidly than is at present the case.

2. That an increase in the salaries of all members of the Administrative and Instructional forces of the college, as of September 1, 1919, of at least 50 per cent of the salary now paid.

It is further urged that in any campaign for funds that may be entered

upon the salary needs of the institution be given precedence.

These recommendations are made with the full appreciation of the fact that these apparently large increases in salaries will not restore them to their purchasing values of even five years ago, and that further increases may be needed within comparatively few years.

## A New Record of Attendance

### More Men in College Department than Ever Before

Figures announced from the office of the college secretary early in October show the following attendance of students:

| College                       | Men | Women | Total |
|-------------------------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Graduates . . . . .           | 7   | 8     | 15    |
| Seniors . . . . .             | 87  | 135   | 222   |
| Juniors . . . . .             | 82  | 154   | 236   |
| Sophomores . . . . .          | 101 | 172   | 273   |
| Freshmen . . . . .            | 146 | 194   | 340   |
| Specials . . . . .            | 5   | 12    | 17    |
|                               | —   | —     | —     |
|                               | 428 | 675   | 1103  |
| Con. of Music . . . . .       | 36  | 368   | 404   |
| Grad. Schl. of Theol. . . . . | 24  | 3     | 27    |
| Slavic Department . . . . .   | 1   | 0     | 1     |
|                               | —   | —     | —     |
|                               | 489 | 1046  | 1535  |

The registration of men in the college department is larger than it has ever been before at a similar date. Prior to 1909 the number of men enrolled in the college department was usually between 300 and 360. In 1910 for the first time the registration of men in the college department exceeded 400. For the next six years the registration of men was practically stationary, dropping as low as 377 in 1914 and reaching 418 in 1916. With the opening of the war the attendance of men dropped. In 1917 there were only 288 men registered. The presence of the S. A. T. C. last year increased the number of men in 1918 to 424.

That the enrolment in the college department so greatly exceeds the limit of 1000 that the college has been attempting to observe is due to the fact that the number of men returning from

war service very greatly exceeded the expectation of the college officers. Since September 14 sixty-one college men have filed registration cards.

The committee in charge of the admission of students will undoubtedly reduce the number of freshman women in next year's class. There is apparently no reason why the freshman class of 1920 should not show an equal number of men and women, and the committee will act upon the assumption that 165 men and 165 women are to be accepted for 1920. In this connection it might be noted that promises have already been issued to more than half of this number of women in next year's class. With the increasing pressure for the admission of women in Oberlin it is altogether probable that the places for new women students in 1920 will all be definitely promised by the end of the calendar year. This applies both to freshmen and students with advanced standing. If the alumni of the college wish to send daughters to Oberlin next year the applications will probably need to be in the secretary's hands before January 1, 1920.

Dr. George W. Crile, chief of the surgical staff of the Western Reserve medical school, has given \$100,000 to endow a chair of surgery in that school. Dr. Crile is a world-famous surgeon. At the outbreak of the war he went to Europe and devoted himself to work in hospitals and in scientific research.

## Athletics for the Month

The first half of the football season has been very successful. Four games have been played and three won. The defeat was at the hands of Cornell and the score of 9 to 0 in that game was very satisfying to the Oberlin supporters. Heidelberg, Ohio Wesleyan and Mount Union are the teams that the Crimson and Gold has defeated.

Captain Steller has shown himself a most capable leader and his playing has been the feature of every game. On the offensive he works at end and on the defensive backs up the line from the fullback's position. Frey, McPhee, Vincent and Taylor have borne the brunt of the backfield work and are proving an unusually smooth-working and well-balanced combination. Wheeler, Parkhill and Mayer have also performed well behind the line. All the backfield candidates are light, but they are all players with experience and are feared throughout the state for their clever open field work.

The line has been shifted considerably in an endeavor to find the strongest combination. Woodruff and Metcalf at guards and Stallings at left tackle have been the strongest men on the line. Barden at center, Martin at right tackle and Millikan at left end seem to have won their places on the first eleven. Other dependable line substitutes are Crossen, Truesdale, Newsom, Landis, Lansdale, Tenney and Anderson.

### OBERLIN 20—HEIDELBERG 0.

The season opened with a victory over Heidelberg by a 20 to 0 score. The varsity's defense proved very effective against the heavy Heidelberg team. Heidelberg threatened to score but once and then Oberlin took the ball on downs on her one foot line. Vincent, Taylor and McPhee were the offensive stars of the game. Oberlin made nine first downs, gained 188 yards by rushing and 35 by forward passes. Heidelberg made six first downs, gained 155 yards by rushing and 16 by forward passes.

Oberlin line-up—l. e., Millikan, Newsom, Landis, Tenney; l. t., Stallings, Solier; l. g., Metcalf, Stephan; c. Barden, Hudson; r. g., Woodruff, Crossen, Lansdale, Anderson; r. t., F. Martin, Crossen; r. e., Steller, A. Martin; q., Vincent, Wheeler; l. h., McPhee, Hindman; r. h., Frey, Mayer; f., Parkhill, Taylor.

Touchdowns—McPhee, Frey, Taylor. Goals from touchdowns—Steller 2.

### CORNELL 9—OBERLIN 0.

The game with Cornell at Ithaca was played on a day altogether too hot for football. Oberlin was handicapped by not having a large number of substitutes available. Outweighed almost 25 pounds to the man, the varsity put up a great fight and after the first period and a half outplayed Cornell in all phases of the game. Oberlin's defensive work was especially good, Captain Steller winning a great name for himself by the way in which he prevented Cornell from gaining through the line. Oberlin's attack was based largely upon forward passes and delayed bucks, and these proved surprisingly effective. Cornell made eight first downs and Oberlin nine.

The line-up was the same as for the Heidelberg game, except that Taylor started at fullback in place of Parkhill. Parkhill, Truesdale, Wheeler and Crossen got into the game as substitutes.

### OBERLIN 9—OHIO WESLEYAN 0.

On a wet slippery field in a pouring rain Oberlin defeated Ohio Wesleyan nine to nothing. The bad footing prevented both teams from showing their full strength. The lone touchdown resulted from a long forward pass, Frey to McPhee. Oberlin had many other opportunities to score but they were lost through fumbles and penalties. Wesleyan was outplayed throughout the game. After the first period she gave up attempting to score by straight football and resorted to one forward pass

after another, most of which fell incomplete.

Oberlin made 11 first downs, rushed the ball 262 yards, and made 31 yards by forward passes. Her average gain per play was 5 1-2 yards. Ohio Wesleyan made 7 first downs, rushed 33 yards, and forward passed 64 yards. Her plays averaged one yard each.

The Oberlin line-up was the same as for the Cornell game. Crossen, Lausdale, Parkhill, Newsom, Landis and Wheeler entered the game as substitutes.

#### OBERLIN 34—MOUNT UNION 13.

Oberlin avenged itself for two successive defeats at the hands of Mount Union by winning this year's game by the score of 34 to 13. Four of the variety's five touchdowns were made in the last eight minutes of play by a rally equalling those of the Case games of 1908 and 1913 and the Ohio State game of 1912. After clearly outplaying Oberlin throughout the first three quarters, the Mount Union defense suddenly went to pieces, while the Oberlin attack, strengthened by the entrance of Wheeler and McPhee and the return of Taylor to the game, seemed to come to life. A "shoe-string" pass, McPhee to Frey, resulted in a sixty yard run for a touchdown. One minute later Frey scored again. Two minutes later he made his third touchdown. On the second play after the next kick-off Steller intercepted a forward pass and ran for a touchdown, but was called back for running out of bounds. Not to be denied he scored a couple of minutes later on a forty yard forward pass from Frey.

Touchdowns for Oberlin — Taylor, Frey 3, Steller. Goals from touchdown—Steller 4.

Oberlin line-up—l. e., Newsom, Millikan, Landis; l. t., Stallings, Crossen; l. g., Metcalf, Anderson; c., Barden, Truesdale; r. g., Woodruff; r. t., Lansdale, Martin; r. e., Steller; q., Vincent, Wheeler; l. h., Taylor, Parkhill, Taylor; r. h., Frey; f., Parkhill, McPhee, Mayer.

#### AN OLD GRADUATE DIES.

Emmeline Brooks Foote died at Oberlin September 15 sixty-seven years after her graduation with the class of '52. Her father, Deacon Samuel Brooks, came to Ohio in 1819 with his brother, Hezekiah Brooks, grandfather of the late Charles M. Hall, and since the earliest days of the college the family, in an almost unbroken line, has been represented at Oberlin. The year following her graduation Mrs. Foote was assistant principal of women and taught Butler's analogy, leaving here to accept a similar position at Iberia college and a later one at Western Reserve seminary at Kirtland. Her husband, William West Foote, who died at Kidder, Mo., in 1895, was also closely identified with Oberlin, receiving his two academic degrees here as well as his theological training. Mrs. Foote is survived by six children, four of whom have been connected with the college either as teachers or in administrative work.

#### FOR ALUMNI TRUSTEE.

Ballots for the election of an alumni trustee were mailed by the secretary's office about October 1. and the vote was to be in by November 1. The contest lay among five candidates as follows:

George S. Addams, '90, judge of the juvenile court at Cleveland.

Rev. Ernest B. Allen, '03, Oak Park, Ill.

Clayton K. Fauver, '97, lawyer, New York.

Irving W. Metcalf, '78, business man, Oberlin.

Orville Wright, Hon. '10, aeronautical engineer, Dayton, O.

#### ARTIST RECITAL COURSE.

Mr. Josef Lhevinne. . . . . *Piano Recital*

Tuesday, November 4, at 7:30 p. m.

The Letz String Quartet and Mrs. William Mason Bennett, Pianist

Tuesday, November 18, at 7:30 p. m.

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra

Mr. Ossip Gabrilowitsch, Conductor

Saturday, November 29, at 7:30 p. m.

The Cleveland Symphony Orchestra

Mr. Nicolai Sokoloff, Conductor

Mr. Mischa Levitzki, Pianist

Friday, January 30, at 8:30 p. m.

## Faculty Notes

The Pilgrim Press of Boston issues in convenient booklet form an address by Professor Herbert A. Youtz of the School of Theology on "Democratizing Theology" which was delivered before the Ohio Congregational conference. Professor Youtz sets forth three tyrannies by which the church and its ministry are threatened. They are the tyrannies of orthodoxy, mechanism and method. The address made such an impression on the Ohio conference that the audience by unanimous vote asked that it be published.

Professor Grover has received leave of absence for one semester, following a severe operation for the removal of tonsils. After leaving the sanitarium at Clifton Springs, N. Y., he will go to Florida.

Professor Stiven has resigned his position as organist at the Euclid avenue Christian church, Cleveland, and has accepted a similar position at Calvary Presbyterian church on Euclid avenue. Mr. Harold Smith of the Conservatory faculty has been chosen to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Stiven.

Prof. H. A. Miller has resigned his position as director of the Mid-European Union and has resumed his work in the department of sociology.

Dr. Harry Clark, who has been teaching in Victoria college, Wellington, New Zealand, has accepted the position of associate professor in the department of physics.

Glenn S. Spinner, a graduate of the University of Illinois in the class of '17, has taken Miss Leavell's place in the department of chemistry, after a year overseas in the gas warfare department. He has taught in the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Illinois.

Robert S. McEwen has resumed his position in the department of zoölogy after service in the Naval Reserve at Washington.

Miss Hazel Kyrk of the department of economics has been made vocational secretary for women. For the larger part of her two years' absence Miss Kyrk has been serving on the American sector of

the Allied Maritime Transport Council in London.

Professor and Mrs. Savage and their daughters are living at 474 Broadway, Apartment 8, Cambridge, Mass. Mr. Savage will spend his sabbatical year in study chiefly in research work in the Widener Memorial Library, Harvard.

Professor and Mrs. Hannah spent the summer in Japan at the Karnizawa summer resort. Professor Hannah had previously given a course of lectures in Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana.

E. H. Cox, formerly of the department of organic chemistry at Oberlin and later a Lieutenant in chemistry warfare service, stationed at Washington, received his discharge at Camp Sherman and has entered Harvard for advanced study.

President King addressed the City club of Cleveland at their annual dinner at the Hollenden, October 6. On October 8 he spoke at the Hotel Statler before the Cleveland Advertising club, and on the evening of that day he gave an address at the East Cleveland Congregational church.

Mrs. William Mason Bennett is teaching piano in the Conservatory. She is well known in New York for her ensemble playing and has played with the Kneisel quartet and other famous organizations. Her husband graduated in Oberlin with the class of '90.

Walter H. Fredericks begins work this year as a teacher of wind instruments in the conservatory. He has played with the Cincinnati and Cleveland orchestras, and proof of his versatility in orchestra work is shown by the fact that this year he was offered the position as "handy man" with the Cleveland orchestra. This implies the ability of Mr. Fredericks to fill any vacancy occurring in the orchestra. Under his leadership the college band will be reorganized, and he is also to have charge of the boys' band of the town.

Professor Hubbard, during the summer gathered material for a bulletin of the Ohio geographical survey to be used in the high schools and colleges of the state.

## NEWS OF THE ALUMNI

### BURTON IN THE ORIENT.

Theodore E. Burton, '72, is making a tour of the world for a study of governmental systems. On September 28 he was given a complimentary luncheon at Tokio by the American-Japan society. Mr. Burton discussed the relations between the two nations.

"In the first place," declared Mr. Burton, "war between Japan and the United States would be futile. If Japan attacked the Pacific coast she could not hope to penetrate the interior of America; if America attacked Japan she might be able to do serious injury, but she would leave a trail of hatred behind her which would hurt America more than Japan.

"As I have traveled here," continued Mr. Burton, "I have found the air fragrant with friendliness. Customs will prove but a temporary barrier between us. There is the national friendship which must endure. No trouble makers or jingoes can break the ties that bind us. Mutual interests hold us, and we shall go forward with the conviction that war is not the way to settle difficulties between nations."

'57 t.—Rev. George Candee and Eliza Ogden Candee celebrated their sixty-second wedding anniversary at their home in Toledo, August 27.

'76—The Board of Education of Jamestown, N. Y., elected ex-Superintendent R. R. Rogers lecturer on Americanization at a salary of \$1500 a year, but he declined, as he had been appointed director of Americanization for the fifteenth district at \$2400.

'78—A sketch of the life of W. A. Bowen has been prepared by his brother, Rev. C. N. Pond. Copies will be mailed to anyone who desires them on request sent to Irving W. Metcalf, Oberlin.

'83—Mrs. Janet McKelvey Swift and daughter are living in Sandusky, O., where Mrs. Swift is in the offices of the Toledo Fire and Insurance Co.

'84, '89 t.—Rev. A. E. Woodruff of

North Ridgeville, O., has accepted a call to Sharon, Pa.

'88, '86—Job Fish and Ruth Hall Fish have moved from Buffalo, N. Y., to 50 Hamilton avenue, Yonkers, N. Y.

Ex-'90—Dr. Fanny Hurd Brown, for two years has been physician in the Dr. Mary T. Green sanitarium, Castile, N. Y. Her two children were born in Korea. The son, Donald, is now with the engineers in the English-American Army in Germany, after five and a half years' service in the regular army. The daughter, Agnes, who studied at Oberlin during the years 1914-15, graduated in the Woman's Medical college, Philadelphia, last June, and is now serving her year's internship in Mercy hospital, Pittsburgh.

'91, '92—Mr. and Mrs. Seabury C. Mastick are at the Hotel Lafayette, 16th and I streets, Washington, D. C., where Mr. Mastick has been ordered for special duty in the Bureau of Ordnance of the Navy. He has recently given \$150 to the chemistry department at Oberlin to provide for a series of lectures before the department by distinguished chemists. This scheme is an experimental one, offered for one year, and will be known as the Alumna Lectureship.

'93—A. E. Heacox of the Oberlin conservatory, who has been spending the summer with his family in Southern California, has begun his work of visiting representative conservatories and colleges and observing methods in his department in the schools of Oakland and Berkeley. Among the places to be visited are Lincoln, Neb., Omaha, Cedar Falls, Iowa, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, and Galesburg, Ill., and other points eastward to New York, where he will be some time in January. He will visit about seventy-five schools.

'95—Roy E. Bowers, pastor of the Lakewood (O.) Congregational church, has been elected a director of the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce.

'97—Rev. Charles K. Tracy of Richmond, Vt., has been called to Marsovan, Turkey, his former home, to do recon-

struction work for two years at Anatolia college, where his father was president for many years. Mrs. Tracy and their children will be in Auburndale, Mass., during his absence.

'98—Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Warner of White Plains, N. Y., are touring the southwestern part of the U. S. in the interest of home missions. They left home August 13 by auto and have visited nearly all the mission stations in Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma, and many in Texas, taking moving pictures of the workers and their people. Mr. and Mrs. Warner plan to attend the American Board meeting in Grand Rapids in October, reaching home November 1.

'98, '99—Dr. and Mrs. Willoughby Hemingway of Taikuhsien, Shansi, China, arrived in San Francisco August 2 for a year's furlough. They are at the home of Dr. Hemingway's father, Oak Park, Ill.

'98—Frank P. Whitney has been promoted from the principalship of one of Cleveland's junior high schools to the directorship of school housing, equipment and supplies with office at school headquarters.

'00—A. A. Macdonald has been located for a number of years in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., as superintendent of schools.

'01—Claude H. Birdseye has been appointed chief topographic engineer of the United States Geographical Survey, with headquarters in Washington, D. C. His address is 1362 Oak street.

'01—R. N. McKelvey has given the college \$50 to be offered as a prize in the Art department for work done under the supervision of Miss Oakes.

'01 t., '02—Charles Elliot and Frances Fowler Elliot have moved from Davenport, Iowa, to Wichita, Kans., where Mr. Elliot is pastor of the Fellowship church. He was recently returned from thirteen months spent in England and France in Y. M. C. A. work.

'01, Con. '04—John Ross Frampton, professor of music at the Iowa State Teachers' college, served last summer as professor of music in the University of Colorado. William G., two-year-old son

of Mr. and Mrs. Frampton, died August 22.

'03—Cleveland R. Cross has been named as a member of the faculty of the new John Marshall school of law, soon to be established in Cleveland as a part of Ohio Northern university.

'03 t.—Mrs. Corbin, wife of Paul L. Corbin of Taikuhsien, Shansi, China, arrived in San Francisco with Dr. and Mrs. Hemingway August 2.

'04—Ernest B. Chamberlain is state music director of Virginia under the auspices of the executive committee of the Y. M. C. A. His address is 902 Chamber of Commerce Building, Richmond, Va.

'05—At the fourteenth annual meeting of the New York State Hay and Grain Dealers' association held in Syracuse August 15 and 16 Clifford D. Jones of Weedsport, N. Y., was elected secretary and treasurer of the association.

'06—Mary D. Uline, home secretary of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior of Chicago, was loaned by that board to the Y. W. C. A. for work in Alsace. Her address is 18 Rue des Veaux, Strassburg.

'06—Thaddeus W. Veness has begun the independent practice of law in Portland, Ore., with offices at 611 Corbett Building.

'07—Walter J. Gifford, who has been professor of education at Goucher college, has been appointed to the same chair at the Virginia normal school at Alexandria, Va.

'07 p. t.—Edith Hopkins Schwenke is dean of women in Drury college.

'07—O. L. Green has the position of superintendent of schools at Ada, Minn.

'07—Edward W. Leeper has been elected president of the Western Reserve Congregational society at Cleveland.

'10, '11—W. Spencer Bowen and Esther Robson Bowen, after spending six months in Honolulu, have returned to 405 West 118th street, New York. Mr. Bowen has resumed his work in mechanical engineering at Columbia.

'10—Olive French Ward has moved to 19 Margaret street, Bayonne, N. J.,

where Mr. Ward has accepted a position in a vocational school.

'11—Francis M. Root, who was commanding officer of the Oberlin unit of the S. A. T. C., is teaching fellow in medical entomology at Johns Hopkins school of hygiene and public health.

'11—R. E. Cushman and Clarissa Fairchild Cushman are living at 1225 Fifth street, S. E., Minneapolis, Minn. Mr. Cushman is associate professor in the department of political science in the University of Minnesota.

'11—F. H. Koos is superintendent of schools at Anoka, Minn.

'11—Captain Donald M. Brodie has returned from overseas. At the request of President King he was made secretary of the American section of the International Commission on Mandates.

'11 Cons.—Joyce Hazel Hetley, who has had charge of the music at Vincennes university, Vincennes, Ind., is studying this year in Oberlin, working for her master's degree in music and teaching theory.

'10—H. Dean Phillips and Ida Henderson Phillips are now located in Albany, N. Y., where Mr. Phillips is assistant director of the state bureau of markets and storage, a position which he accepted upon his discharge from military service. Their address is 151 Western avenue.

'12—Bert H. Stowell is general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., New Brunswick, N. J., where he began work May 15, previously having been general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in the munition plant of the Dupont Powder Co. at Haskell, N. J.

'12, '17 Cons.—Esther C. Andrews, Erma Johnson and Ruth Heter have taken an apartment at 109 West 87th street, New York, for the year.

'12, '14 Cons.—Charles J. Wing is studying piano with Ernest Hutcheson in New York. His address is 615 West 150th street.

'12—Elmina R. Lucke has resigned her position in the department of English at Scott high school, Toledo, to become executive secretary of the International Institute for Foreign Women in Detroit, Mich. Under the National War

Work Council of the Y. W. C. A. she is organizing new Americanization work among foreign women through a staff of foreign speaking workers, trained in foreign service. The International Institute office is 407 Breitmeyer Building.

'12—Flora Porter Lewis is living at 1010 Pingree avenue, Detroit, Mich.

'12—Alice Barbour has resigned her position at Red Cross General hospital at the Bronx and will spend several months with her parents in Toledo.

'13, '15—Lucile Brown Ketcham's address is Drew Forest, Madison, N. J., where her husband, Rev. Charles B. Ketcham, is librarian and instructor in English Bible in Drew theological seminary.

'14—Elsie M. Lewis, who was granted the L.L.S. fellowship last spring, gave up the privilege to accept a position in the department of biology at Wellesley college. Mabel Hart, '00, holds the fellowship and is studying at Columbia.

'14—Leyton E. Carter has become assistant secretary of the Civic League of Cleveland, succeeding Clare M. Vrooman, '15.

'14—Bessie L. Dougherty is teaching public school music in New Clement, Idaho.

Ex-'15—Mildred V. Leader is teaching kindergarten in Los Angeles, after four years in Sau Bernardino. Her address is 512 Wall street, Hotel Ward.

'15—Willis O. Hunter has been appointed one of the supervisors of physical training in Los Angeles public schools. He and Mrs. Hunter are living in Glendale.

'15—Clare M. Vrooman has formed a law partnership with C. E. Clark and will practice in Cleveland, with offices at 544 Engineer's Building. He has recently been with the firm of which George B. Siddall, '91, and D. E. Morgan, '97, are members.

'15 Cons.—Florence M. Nichols, who had a large class of music students in Spencer, Iowa, is doing postgraduate work this year in Chicago. Helen Gaiser of '19 is taking her place in Spencer.

'15—Margaret McRoberts has resigned her place in the Port Huron (Mich.) high school and accepted an offer in the

Americanization work with the Association House, 2150 West North avenue, Chicago. With her is Louis Hyde, also of the class '15.

'15, '17 Cons.—Harold Smith, after two years' service in France, has returned to Oberlin. He is teaching theory and organ in the conservatory and is playing in the Euclid avenue Christian church, Cleveland.

'16, '17, '18—Donald B. Forward, Harry McPhee, D. P. Quiring and Theodore Wilder are studying medicine at Western Reserve.

'16—Ola Fern Little is studying dramatic art at the Egan school, Los Angeles. Her address is 1711 South Howard boulevard.

'16—J. A. Humphrey has left the office of W. F. Bohn, administration building, Oberlin, and entered the University of Chicago, where he will study administrative education.

'16—Rex Bell, state Y. M. C. A. secretary of South Dakota, is largely responsible for the success of the recent campaign at Sioux Falls, in which a \$400,000 Central Y. M. C. A. Building was financed. Mr. Bell and Mrs. Florence Boles Bell, '17, are making their home in Sioux Falls for the present.

'16—R. E. Rindfuss, who for two years was assistant in the chemistry department of the college, has an important position in the American Writing Paper Co. of Holyoke, Mass., the largest writing paper company in the world. Mr. Rindfuss received his doctor's degree at the University of Illinois in 1919.

'17 T.—Otto G. Reumann and Martha Bourne Reumann, under appointment by the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions, sailed from San Francisco October 18 on S. S. Venezuela, Pacific Mail S. S. Co. Address in China, Care of American Board of Missions, Foochow.

'17—Kathleen Ormsby is studying in the School of Civics and Philanthropy in Chicago. Her address is 1847 South Sawyer avenue.

'16—Bert H. McQueer's address is 140 St. Botolph street, Boston.

'17—V. W. Gerrish has accepted a position with the Lumber Insurers Gen-

eral Agency, New York City. He will be associated with J. J. McKelvey, '84, and R. H. McKelvey, '01.

'17—Francis Gray has entered the Oberlin Graduate School of Theology.

'17—Rudolph Hertz, superintendent of the Congregational work on the Claycune River Indian Reservation in South Dakota, has recently visited in Oberlin.

'18 Cons.—Charles W. Lawrence has a position in the music department of Sioux Falls college, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

'18—Roger B. Siddall of Cleveland, has been elected to the board of the Harvard Law Review and awarded a Sears prize for exceptional scholarship. He completed his first year's work at the end of August by attending the special summer session of the law school established for returned service men. The contest for places on the Review board is regarded as an intercollegiate competition, since students in the law school represent colleges in all parts of the country.

'18—Georgia Brown of Cleveland, has been chosen private secretary to Dr. Ernest W. Bysshe, who is at the head of a bureau maintained in France for the educational, physical and religious rehabilitation of that stricken country. Miss Brown was to sail late in October and expects to remain two years in Paris.

Ex-'18—Leeds Gulick is taking a course in boys' work in Chicago Y. M. C. A. college.

'18 Cons.—Mary S. Chambers is teaching piano and voice at Massanutten academy, Woodstock, Va.

'18—Timothy Y. Jen has translated President King's book, "The Fight for Character." It has just been published by the Association Press of China.

'18—Mildred Willey and Florence Wells are in the Cleveland court house as private secretaries.

'19—Virginia Walton is physical training instructor in Buchtel university.

'19—Helen Alwood is assistant registrar in Toledo university.

'19 Cons.—Evangeline Lehmann is head of the voice department, Buena Vista college, Storm Lake, Iowa.

'19—Wade Rinehart has been awarded

one of the Dupont Research Fellowships, valued at \$750, and will take his master's degree in June. Only eighteen of these fellowships are offered.

'19—Aveline G. Kent is teaching Latin in the public schools of Winchester, Va.

'19—Hon.—Mrs. W. G. Sharp, wife of ex-Ambassador Sharp of Elyria, was made president of the State Federation of Women's clubs at their biennial convention held in Cleveland October 16-19.

Cons.—Gertrude Mount, who studied in the conservatory and in the kindergarten training school, is teaching kindergarten at Whittier, Cal. She spent last summer studying in the University of California at Berkeley. Elizabeth Wirkler, who also was a student in the Oberlin kindergarten school, is a teacher in the Los Angeles city schools.

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#### ENGAGEMENTS

'17—May Lanson of Sheboygen, Wis., to Lieut. J. A. Foreman.

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#### MARRIAGES

'93, '97 A. M.—Rev. Theodore T. Holway of Sofia, Bulgaria, to Charlotte S. Tichenor, Waukesha, Wis.

Ex-'21. Ex-'19—Marjorie Norton to Nat Howard, Pleasantville, N. Y., August 5.

'19—Margaret A. Miller to Lieut. Commander Carlton I. Wood, U. S. N. N. C., '10, Wadsworth, Ohio, July 24. They are living in New London, Conn., where Lieut. Wood is in charge of the Sub-Marine Base Hospital.

'12—Florence A. Cant of Buffalo, to Frederick I. Kithcart, September 23. They will be at home after December 1, Euclid boulevard, St. Petersburg, Fla.

'12—Beryle Titterington to C. I. Heck of Princeton, Ill., August 6.

'18, '19—Thomas Farquhar to Katharine Kilmer, Cleveland, August 28. They are living at the Cleveland Yacht club.

Emily W. Ranshaw to William M. Barber, Petersburg, Va., October 16.

'16—Evangeline McNaughton, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. C. McNaughton of Turkey, to R. F. Markham of Yale theological seminary, August 4, Goshen, Mass.

'16 Cons.—Helen Henriette Wagner to Arthur Guy Neff, Louisville, Ky., October 10.

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#### BIRTHS

'12—To Mr. and Mrs. Bert H. Stowell, New Brunswick, N. J., September 21, a daughter, Betty Jean.

'19 Hon.—To Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Churchill, a daughter, Alice, Oberlin, September 8.

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## Deaths

'60—Mary Fletcher Parmenter, 318 Williams street, Elmira, N. Y., July 1. Burial at Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

'62—Harriet Martindale, eighty-one, at Kirtland, O. September 12.

'75—James Perry Wertz Brown died in Chicago August 14. His home had been in Chicago since 1885. He was graduated B.L. at the University of Michigan in 1876; practiced law in Chicago until 1880, then in Leadville, Colo., until 1885, when he returned to Chicago. For the last ten years he was in the em-

ploy of the Metropolitan West Side Elevated Railroad Co. A widow, a son and two daughters survive him. He was a member of Phi Delta.

'80—Arthur Powell, Principal of Hartwell school, Cincinnati, O., December, 1918, 271 Kearney avenue, Cincinnati, O.

'11—Mary Lavinia Alter, sixty-six, 617 South 30th street, Omaha, Neb., August 21.

Delos R. Haynes, seventy-eight, Chautauqua, Ill., September 29.

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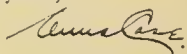
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